

MINISTER WITH \$733 A YEAR WINS THE EVENING WORLD'S FIRST PRIZE FOR THRIFT

The Rev. W. C. Poole Started
by Regularly Saving
a Dollar a Week.

COULD TAKE NO CREDIT

38 Prizes Offered by This
Paper and Bankers' Association Also Awarded.

At the conclusion of the Thrift Campaign, which The Evening World, co-operating with the American Bankers' Association, has been conducting during the last twenty weeks, a committee of judges yesterday decided that the Rev. W. C. Poole, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Ocean City, Md., on an income averaging \$733 a year, makes better use of it than any one of The Evening World readers who entered the contest. The Rev. Mr. Poole, who at the time of submitting his budget for publication resided at Madison, N. J., was advised of his success by telegram, and immediately wired permission for the use of his name in connection with the announcement of the results of the campaign.

The committee which judged the numerous letters published in The Evening World was composed of the following:

V. A. Lerner, Comptroller Williamsburg Savings Bank, Chairman.
Frank Trumbull, Chairman Board of Directors Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

Miss Sarah Field Splint, Editor To-day's Magazine.
Fred E. Farnsworth, General Secretary American Bankers' Association.

George E. Edwards, President Dollar Savings Bank.
George J. Jackson, Vice President National Conduit and Cable Company.

Forty-three prizes, aggregating \$550, were offered at the start of the campaign, \$100 by The Evening World and \$150 by the American Bankers' Association. These were awarded as follows: First prize, \$50; two prizes of \$25 each; five prizes of \$10 each; ten prizes of \$5 each; twenty-five prizes of \$2 each. About 1,000 persons submitted budgets.

The winners of the \$25 prizes were M. Greenberg of New York, and H. G. Knight of West Point, N. Y.

THE LETTER THAT WON THE FIRST PRIZE.

The following is a copy of the thrifty letter which wins the first prize:

"I have received \$11,730 in sixteen years for preaching in five different churches. This has been an average of \$733.18 a year in addition to house and donations. It figures out about \$60 a month or \$15 a week. The salaries have ranged from \$10 a year to \$1,200. This time does not include a short time I served a mission church at \$20 a month. I graduated from college and began preaching with \$32, and out of debt, before beginning this record.

"I have saved over \$2,000, now in 4 per cent. savings bank; made thirteen payments on one 20-payment life insurance policy for \$2,000; made eight payments on one 20-payment life insurance policy for \$2,000; visited the exhibitions at St. Louis and Jamestown and leading cities; traveled over nearly all New England; kept a full supply of new magazines and books and given freely to church and charity work.

"My financial rules are: (1) Never buy a cent's worth on credit. I think I have saved \$50 a year on what I bought and another \$100 a year by doing without in order to keep this law. (2) I have kept faithful account of all receipts and expenditures since my first year, and each year tried to forecast plans so as to get better results from the same amount of expenditures the following year. (3) I started by saving \$1 a week and living on the remainder. I made that rule because I saw a young friend burning up \$1 a week in cigars.

"My present rule is: Ten per cent. for church and charity; 10 per cent. for savings bank.

"I pay my life insurance and save what I can out of the remainder for unusual expense of sickness or accidents. It is only

fair to say I have not needed to draw largely on sick fund. Perhaps unwisely I do not belong to any lodges or orders. My church supplies my fraternal needs. I never talk poverty to my congregations, or ask more money, though my salary has sometimes been raised. I frankly tell my friends that I will live on less than I receive and owe nothing if I have to wear overalls, and they appreciate it. I do not want recalled big churches because they do not care a number time for study and research and original investigation.

"I have never spent a dollar for tobacco, drink, theatre, movies or so-called fashionable dress, but have met the requirements of a minister in all grades of financial and social church life. When I cannot get what makes me glad I am glad of what I get—or try to be. I have more to be glad of and less to be sad of than any one I know. I have not found any one with a better financial system although I have sought for such. The above system was largely inspired by reading the autobiography, which I was a boy, of Benjamin Franklin. The reading of this book should be required of all American before they are allowed to vote.

Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.

The letter speaks for itself, but in view of the purpose of the campaign, two points stand out prominently:

"Never buy a cent's worth on credit."

"I started by saving one dollar a week."

As might be expected, the Rev. Mr. Poole was familiar with and mentioned the writings of Benjamin Franklin as an authority on thrift.

AWARDS TO 37 OTHER PRIZE WINNERS.

The complete list of prize winners, with the exception of a few whose addresses were not clear, is given below. Checks will be mailed from The Evening World office. Those whose letters to the thrifty editor at once, giving their full names and addresses, so that the prize money may be forwarded.

WINNERS.

W. C. Poole, Methodist Church, Ocean City, Maryland.

SECOND CLASSIFICATION.

(Ten prizes of \$25 each).

H. G. Knight, U. S. M. A. Department, West Point, N. Y.

M. Greenberg, No. 335 East 100th and Seventy-eighth Street.

THIRD CLASSIFICATION.

(Five prizes of \$10 each).

Mrs. Ernest Miller, No. 254 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Robert A. Foster, No. 62 Grove Street, White Plains, N. Y.

J. L. L. Bridgeport, Conn.

Mrs. J. MacArthur, No. 1001 Broadway and Alameda Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. W. A. Tyner, No. 872 Berri Street, Montreal, Canada.

Walter Friedman, No. 550 West One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Street, New York City.

FOURTH CLASSIFICATION.

(Ten prizes of \$5 each).

William Carr, No. 844 Amsterdam Avenue, New York City.

Walter Friedman, No. 550 West One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Street, New York City.

Samuel Lefkowitz, No. 21 Rutgers Street, New York City.

Maurice A. Landberg, No. 424 Hopkinson Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. S. Miller, No. 1409 Longfellow Avenue, New York City.

Mrs. Ernest Miller, No. 50 Martense Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. A. K. Schmitzer, No. 603 East Twenty-third Street, Paterson, N. J.

Mrs. J. S. Schmitzer, No. 1487 East Fourteenth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Marie Hope, No. 71 West One Hundred and Third Street, New York City.

Edna Boyden, Public School No. 46, East One Hundred and Ninety-third Street, Bronx.

FIFTH CLASSIFICATION.

(Twenty-five prizes of \$2 each).

D. N. Babcock, No. 2526 Palmetto Street, New York City.

Carl A. Brumstrom, No. 553 Jackson Avenue, Jersey City, N. J.

W. L. Conner, No. 1050 Bergen Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. C. Deussen, No. 223 St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx.

David Feinman, No. 3 East One Hundred and Seventh Street, New York City.

E. V. French, No. 223 Sixty-first Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. C. J. Hopkins, No. 824 Diamond Avenue, Woodhaven, L. I.

P. A. H. Monks, No. 1241 Fifty-ninth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

B. Kitavitch, No. 351 Grand Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

H. H. Moran, No. 1712 Bathgate Avenue, Bronx.

Mr. D. A. M., No. 11 Eighth Avenue, Long Island City, N. Y.

Alfred J. Pflanz, No. 341 First Street, Westfield, N. J.

H. William Ramme, No. 350 Fulton Street, Jamaica, L. I.

Dorothy Regan, No. 200 Wadsworth Avenue, New York City.

M. E. Sutherland, No. 484 East Twenty-third Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Mary M. Walsh, No. 15 Cleveland Street, Morristown, N. J.

Milton Yockelson, No. 163 Varick Street, New York City.

Louis Nelson Harton, No. 25 Division Street, New York City.

Edith E. Bruner, No. 2526 Palmetto Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

M. J. Chessman, No. 239 Highbrook Avenue, Pelham, N. Y.

H. E. Litchfield, No. 114 First Avenue, New Brighton, S. I.

Mrs. L. E. Monks, No. 27 East Eleventh Street, New York City.

James J. Murphy, No. 423 Eighth Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Keene Taylor Weds.

Mrs. Keene Taylor, daughter of the late James T. Keene and sister of Foxhall Keene, was married today to Edward Ingle Froot of Asheville, N. C., at the home of her mother at Cedarhurst, L. I.

SIGNS OF A BREAK IN CONFERENCE ON RAILROAD WAGES

Representatives of Companies
and Their Employees Seem
Far From Agreement.

After three days of debate on the demands of the four big brotherhoods of railroad employees, the conference of employers and representatives of the employees, in progress at the Engineering Building, seems to be reaching a point of disagreement. There is no discord or disorderly argument, but quite steadily and earnestly both sides seem holding firm, and unless there is an easing up of the spirit a successful conclusion of the conference does not appear to be in sight.

The men are asking a straight eight-hour day with no reduction in the present scale of wages paid for a ten-hour day, and they want time and a half for overtime. There are many minor working conditions also being discussed. No direct refusal to meet these terms has been made by the railroad officials' committee, but there seems to be a general determination not to grant all the demands at this time and the union leaders appear equally determined to enforce their demands.

In opening the discussion today, Elsie Lee, for the railroads, said any agreement reached would have to be on the fundamental principle that no double compensation would be paid for the same service and the same time. He also said that when a man did two or more classes of work during eight hours the time and compensation should not be divided up, but that he should be paid not less than a minimum day's wages.

TEACHING DEAF TO SING,
SUCCESS IS CLAIMED

Helen Keller and Inventor Edison
Interested in Method of Ohio Woman.

COLUMBUS, O., June 3.—Teaching a deaf person to sing, a feat which hitherto has been considered impossible, has been accomplished by Mrs. Christiana Born, wife of a Columbus brewer, after weeks of experimenting with Magdalene Sattler, an eighteen-year-old Cleveland student at the school for the deaf here, according to an announcement today.

Miss Helen Keller of New York, the eminent deaf and blind student, is in Columbus for the purpose of testing out Mrs. Born's method. Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, also is said to be interested in Mrs. Born's experiments.

The new teaching method consists of facial expression accompanied by piano tones, which the student cannot hear. To date the Cleveland girl has mastered more than an octave of notes.

WESTERN UNION TO GIVE IN?
Tact Recognition of Union Will Avert Telegraphers' Strike.

All that is needed to prevent the threatened strike of 20,000 telegraphers, according to Federal Mediator Mahany, is an appreciation of the situation. Mr. Mahany says that while the strike has not passed, it is not nearly so alarming as it was a few days ago.

There are broad hints to the effect that the Western Union will tacitly admit the right of the telegraphers to maintain a union, but that it will not guarantee that no man shall be discriminated against because he holds a union card.

If a wage is given to this effect to the telegraphers' convention will adjourn at once. The union will regard this a victory and leave in abeyance demands for higher wages and shorter hours.

BELMONT ENTRIES.

BELMONT PARK RACE TRACK, N. Y., June 3.—The entries for Monday's races are as follows:

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